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**NOTIFICATION**

The Government of Sikkim is hereby pleased to notify Sikkim State Council of Science and Technology (SSCS&T) as a Nodal Agency for Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) and its related activities in the State in order to promote, streamline and route the IPR issue in the state.

The terms of reference of the Nodal Agency are as follows:-

1. To act as a Nodal Agency for IPR in the State of Sikkim.
2. To advise the State Government on IPR issues.
3. To promote IPR in the State through awareness activities.
4. Technical support for Geographical Indication (GI) registration of local items of the state under Geographical Indication Registration and Protection Act, 1999.
5. Support prior art search, drafting and filing of invention (process and products) for Patent Registration under Patent Act, 1970.
6. Technical assistance for Copyright registration of Literary and Dramatic/Artistic works as per the Copyright Act, 1957.
7. Technical assistance for Trademark & Design registration of Sikkimese entrepreneur under Trademark Act, 1999 and Design Act, 2000.
8. Technical assistance for registration of local plant variety developed by progressive farmer under Farmers Breeders Right (FBR) or by any institute/organization under Protection of Plant Variety (PPV and FR) Act, 2001.
9. Documentation of traditional knowledge and its protection for Traditional Knowledge Digital Library (TKDL) and other related IPR forms.

**BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR**

**Karma Gyatso, IAS  
Chief Secretary to the Government  
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